

THAT "EXTRA SESSION."

Gov. Marmaduke still holds his own against the petitioners, and the reason of it is because he has made himself fully informed upon all the points connected with the disease and finds that not a single case has originated outside of Callaway county, and even then, it is practically confined to one township.

There is no necessity for an extra session of the legislature, and in consequence there will be none.

In an interview with State Senator Wear, the governor makes a statement which those who are prone to listen to the alarmists, will do well to ponder at their leisure, and it is to the effect that in a large majority of cases where reports of the disease among the cattle of a particular locality, have reached him, and he has instituted a thorough examination, he has found the reports erroneous. For instance, "one lot of sixty head reported as being diseased, which were said to have been shipped from Callaway county to St. Louis, upon investigation were found to come from Boone county, far removed from the infected district, and to be perfectly sound and healthy."

The governor is showing marked good sense in this matter of looking after the interests of the majority of the tax payers of the state, and it is time influential newspapers should give him their earnest and hearty support, and also attempt to stop the panic, which is as uncalled for, as it is foolish and mischievous, and calculated to injure a state already unfortunate in this respect.

The Canadian authorities admit that they expect in the northwest a long guerrilla war which may last a year or more. But this is entirely a matter of their own choosing. It is precisely the problem which presented itself in Egypt, where for more than a year the British have carried on what is nothing more nor less than a guerrilla warfare with no conceivable profit to themselves, and no material damage to their opponents. Now they sensibly propose to put a stop to the profitless business, by abruptly backing out of it. And this is all they have to do in the northwestern territory. If there is no force opposed to Riel, he will have nothing to rebel against, and will speedily and summarily subside.

Much adverse criticism is being lavished on Tennyson's poem entitled "The Fleet," but the man who could write "In Memoriam," should be pardoned in silence, and no matter though he should send forth to the world the veriest doggerel for the few remaining years of his life, it should never be allowed to reach his ears that the world sat in judgment upon him. Once great, with the right to the greatness which belonged to him by the gift of God, only a churl, and a man in whom all fine feeling was benumbed, would begrudge him the privilege of writing whatever he may choose, and if not appreciating, at least accept without comment.

It is stated by a friend, that the young English aristocrat who recently died in New York, of exposure and drink, was so destitute of all feeling and filial affection, that he insisted upon taking a little prayer book, with her picture inside, which his mother had given him, and which the friend had been keeping for him, to a pawn shop where it was pawned for ten cents to buy whiskey with, and that, too, in spite of the fact that his loving mother had just died. Verily, the temperance advocates might find a strong text for a sermon in the above incident.

Mr. Chas. Hasbrook, business manager of the Kansas City Times, who is an applicant for the internal revenue collectorship of the sixth district, in an interview with a Post-Dispatch reporter, speaks of the faithful manner in which the Missouri representatives have worked to serve their constituents, and airily adds "poor old Missouri is safe." Missouri is safe enough, but what are the wild waves saying of Mr. Hasbrook?

Clinton Circuit Court.

Clinon, Mo., April 28.—[Special.]—Circuit court convened to-day at 10 o'clock in afternoon session, Judge Genet presiding. After the usual formula of empanelling and qualifying the grand and petit juries, the case of Josephus Terrell, for the killing of his father on the first day of November last, was called, and the prisoner ordered to be brought into the court. Constable Callaway, in the presence of the sheriff, repaired to the jail and brought the boy.

A number of witnesses were called but few of whom answered their names. At this stage of the proceedings, prosecuting Attorney Lewis declared himself not ready to proceed with the case owing to the absence of two or three important witnesses in the case, one of whom was a resident of Polk county, service upon whom had not been returned by the sheriff of that county. The judge at once ordered the clerk to issue a rule upon the sheriff of Polk county to show cause of failure to return service. As it was impossible, in the opinion of the prosecution, to go to trial the prisoner was remanded to jail and the matter carried over for another day.

The probability is that a plea of guilty will be made and that the penalty for manslaughter in the second degree by one under 18 years of age will be assessed.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

HANNIBAL.

—Miss Annie Garth has gone to St. Louis on a visit.

—Mrs. Brison Stillwell and daughter, Mrs. Armstrong, returned Monday morning from Chicago.

—Mrs. E. J. Ohmer, Mrs. Schaefer, Mrs. S. N. Hoffheimer, and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Kline went to Quincy Monday evening to see Emmet.

—A tramp printer, who worked at the News office last week, stole the proprietor's overcoat. Officer Lowe arrested him and recovered the coat.

—Mr. W. C. Clifton and wife, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Garth took their departure Monday for New York via St. Louis.

NEVADA.

—Miss Eva Shuckford, of Clarence, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. H. Hillias.

—Prof. H. W. L. has severed his connection with the Democrat of this city.

—Miss Alice Church took the Tuesday morning train for Sheldon, where she goes on a visit of several days.

—The organization of a board of trade Thursday evening with one hundred members, was a fine advertisement for Nevada.

—C. V. Downs and wife and baby of this city, narrowly escaped drowning in the east fork of Drywood Saturday morning while returning from Liberal to Nevada.

The stream was small but very swift, and the buggy was scarcely into the water when it was capsized. The lines wrapped themselves around the wheels, and by their struggle the horses were in danger of drowning themselves and the recent companion of the buggy. Mr. Downs succeeded in cutting the lines and with difficulty rescued his baby.

Mrs. Downs had been swept by the current in a barbed wire fence where her clothing was caught by the wire. When her husband reached her he found the water so swift that he was unable to stand and the danger of the situation was increased by the wife fainting. Mr. Downs was only able to cling to the fence and hold his wife's head above the water; but help soon came in the person of a gentleman named Cowley, who in a few minutes extricated the unfortunate couple from the critical situation.

Mrs. Downs is now sick from the scare and exposure.

CENTREVILLE.

—Uncle Bob Houx left Monday for the south with stock.

—Capt. Read, the jolly farmer, circulated among his Centerville friends this week.

—Boss carpenter Baird and his jolly crew have taken a contract of Uncle Tom Mitchell, over the Blackwaer.

—Ed Houx will be governor-general of the Houx plantation the present season during the absence of Uncle Bob.

—Our representative, Whitsett, since his return from Jeff. has got into his every day clothes and as usual is making things gut on the plantation.

—We had a cordial grasp of Judge Brinker's hand as he passed through Centerville enroute for New Mexico to assume the new duties of his position.

—Notwithstanding the general depression, business at Centerville continues fairly good, much better than could be expected under the circumstances.

—State Attorney Wood held a matinee at Judge Wright's court last week. Young Burke, living on the farm of Ed. Williams, being charged with carrying an arsenal under his coat, contributed \$25 to the school fund.

—The store of J. R. C. Hull was burglarized on Monday night by five well-dressed tramps. They forced the door with a crow bar and goods to the amount of \$500 were taken, consisting of jewelry, cutlery, clothing and many other articles of value. Telegrams have been sent in all directions offering a reward for their apprehension. It is to be hoped they will be overhauled.

PORT SCOTT.

—Miss Emerson, of Ossawatimie, is visiting Mrs. Dilworth and Miss Twiliter.

—General Frank Parsons, who is prominent in the Knights of Pythias, is in the city.

—Mrs. B. L. West came down from Paola Tuesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Goodlander for a few days.

—Mr. John Myers, from Kansas, has temporarily succeeded Miss Ray as operator at the Pacific depot, the latter having gone home to recuperate her health.

—Mr. and Mrs. Kershner, of Olathe Kansas, are spending a few days at J. W. Smith's. Mrs. Kershner is a sister of Mrs. Smith. They have an idea of locating in Port Scott.

—The fourteenth annual convention of the Grand Lodge K. of P., of Kansas, will be held at Fort Scott on May 19, 20 and 21. They offer three prizes: First, open to all divisions U. R. of K. P., \$250; second, open only to Kansas division, \$150; third, band contest, open to all, \$100.

THAT PENITENTIARY.

The Committee Pay Their Respects to Sedalia.

A Meeting Held at Siche's Hotel Last Night.

What Walker Says the State Wants.

Who Was There and What Was Done.

Last evening's train brought to Sedalia from Moberly J. M. Seibert, state treasurer; John Walker, state auditor, and D. W. Marmaduke, warren of the Missouri state penitentiary who, with B. G. Boone, attorney-general, constitute the committee for locating a branch penitentiary. Mr. Boone, however, had gone home with the expectation of meeting the rest of the committee at this point last night, and in company with them going over the ground in Sedalia to-day. Owing to the heavy rain, however, the program was changed and the committee decided to proceed this morning to Leavenworth, Kansas, and examine the penitentiary at that point with a view of gaining such information as might be useful to them in deciding upon the final location and construction of the new institution.

A MEETING WAS HELD

at Siche's hotel parlors at 8:30 last night, at which the committee and a number of Sedalians were present. The meeting was organized by selecting R. T. Genry chairman. Auditor Walker addressed those present saying that owing to the fact that the state had found itself unable to furnish employment for more than 800 of the 1,600 convicts now in Jefferson City, and that he enforced idleness of these 800 convicts was entailing a heavy expense upon the tax payers. The state officials had laid the matter before the legislature, which body in its wisdom has seen fit to pass a bill authorizing the construction of a branch penitentiary at some desirable point in the state to be selected by the committee and had appropriated the sum of \$250,000 to begin its construction with.

THE COMMITTEE

in pursuance of its instructions were now on a tour of inspection with a view to selecting the most desirable point to be found. They had visited Louisiana, Hannibal and Moberly and were now, by invitation, in Sedalia. At Louisiana they had found many of the most indispensable requisites of good water, coal, wood, stone and brick and a beautiful and healthy location and Hannibal and Moberly had equal advantages. The committee had met with a cordial reception everywhere and were much edified and instructed as to the vast resources of every part of the state vitally important of every kind of industrial undertaking or investment. It had been their intention to-morrow to examine Sedalia and ascertain her inducements and advantages as to natural resources and requirements, as from her central location and numerous railway connections she

POSSESSED SUPERIOR ADVANTAGES

in that direction, and if her other resources were equal to those of other points, Sedalia would undoubtedly be the best point. Owing to the heavy rain, however, the committee after consultation had decided it would be best to go to Leavenworth, Kansas, and view the penitentiary there, and thence visit Kansas City, St. Joseph, Cape Girardeau and Fredericktown, after which they would return to Sedalia, and go over the ground at their leisure some time a week hence. It was the desire of the committee to avoid the mistake made in other states of locating their branch penitentiaries at points offering only limited advantages and to conserve the general welfare and interest of the people of Missouri by placing their branch penitentiary at the most desirable and convenient point, possessing all the varied requirements and advantages incident to so large and

IMPORTANT AN INSTITUTION

among which were abundance of good water, accessibility of coal, wood, iron, stone and other natural resources. The state would be at an expense of \$750,000 or more in the construction and arrangement of this institution. Once located it could not be removed. Its buildings would be of the most permanent and absolutely fire proof character, and its expenditures for square labor would be about \$50,000 per annum. It was therefore, necessary that it should be placed where employment could be had for its inmates, and where men could be found who would furnish that employment. Hence, a guarantee would be required that employment would be furnished for at least 400 men as a necessary contingent to its location. Mr. Walker then proceeded to give

A DESCRIPTION

of the manner of leasing and working convict labor, and the various industries in which it was found most profitable to employ them. At the close of his remarks a number of questions were asked him and answered by him for those present, and on motion of J. N. Dalby it was decided to take the matter under advisement and be prepared to report to the committee when they should next visit Sedalia.

Mr. Walker stated the committee expected to complete its tour by the 18th of May, when they would return to Jefferson City, where they would receive plans, specimens and propositions from the various competing points, and about the 1st of June the final location would be decided upon and work on the construction of the buildings and walls begun. After a short disjunctory discussion, the meeting adjourned.

"BUCHU-PALKA."

Quick, complete cure, all Kidney, Bladder and Urinary Diseases, Scalding, Irritation, Stone, Gravel, Catarrh of the bladder. \$1. Druggists.

Notice.

All who desire to contribute to the fund to stamp out the cattle disease said to exist in Callaway county, will please hand the funds to John L. Hall, county treasurer. 4-16d&w

Short Horn Sale.

Higginsville, April 30.—[Special.]—Following are the sales of the second annual sale of registered thoroughbred short horn cattle, at this place to-day:

Hattie B., second, H. C. Chiles' herd, Mayview, Missouri, sold to T. A. Catron, of Lafayette county, for \$75. Red Prince, same herd, G. B. Fletcher, of Lafayette county, \$80.
Pearl Dale, herd of W. H. Waddell, Lexington, Mo., to G. Y. Sankford, \$45.
Hattie Bell, herd of B. M. Sankford, Lexington, Mo., to R. H. Smith, \$35.
Lena, second, H. C. Chiles' herd, Mayview, Mo., to Joseph Long, \$135.
Waddell, same herd, Wm. R. Cunningham, \$65.
Knight of Redwood, same herd, Joseph Long, \$65.
Crag, same herd, Wm. C. Beattie, \$40.
Lillie, of Jackson, fourth, same herd, E. B. Beattie, \$65.
Roan Bell, herd of W. H. Waddell, Lexington, Mo., to G. W. Brown, \$75.
Lady Hunt, herd of H. C. Chiles, to Wm. H. Waddell, \$105.
Miss Maggie Slowell, same herd, Wm. Cunningham, \$90.
Putnam Red, same herd, James Up-house, \$80.
Almond, same herd, Wm. H. Waddell, \$150.
White Stockings, same herd, Wm. T. Gammon, \$65.
Lord St. Jam, same herd, J. A. Willard, \$65.
Cambria 10th, same herd, Wm. Cunningham, \$205.
Fifth star of Walnut grove, same herd, Joseph Long, \$115.
Rosalante, herd of W. H. Waddell, Col. H. C. Chiles, \$45.
Belle Kirk, same herd, H. Recterman, \$80.
Carrie Kirk, same herd, H. K. Bed Ker, \$50.
Garlan, same herd, J. C. Lyons, \$50.
Nettie Kirk, herd of B. M. Lunkford, to H. Recterman, \$40.
Nona, same herd, H. Up-house, \$70.
Theodore, herd of F. W. Brand, Aulville Mo., Samuel Emerson, \$60.
Detura, 8th herd of W. G. Neal, to John Neal, \$150.
Zuleim, 11th herd of T. A. Catron, Alma, Mo., to G. W. Shull, \$115.
Florence, herd of H. C. Chiles, to F. T. Balts, \$100.
Prairie Prince, same herd, T. A. Catron, \$125.
Marmaduke, herd of W. H. Waddell, to B. Bartels, \$80.
Morrison, same herd, R. W. Keene, \$50.
Lord Clarence, herd of B. N. Laak ord, to Wm. Waddell, \$85.
Missouri Duke, herd of C. F. Gran, Higginsville, Mo., to Armon Knipmeyer, \$80.
Kel on, herd of Samuel Smith, Mayview, Mo., to James Schoelling, \$55.
Cleveland, herd of F. W. Brand, to A. C. Fulkerson, \$35.
Alex Graves, herd of J. Bradley, Lexington, Mo., to Wm. Bell, \$55.
Tobe, herd of T. B. Campbell, Dover, Mo., to T. B. Campbell, \$65.
All the purchasers live in Lafayette county.

The Short Horn Sale.

Marshall, April 29.—The sale of short horn cattle, the property of leading breeders of this county, commenced yesterday at the fair grounds. A large number of stockmen and farmers, some from different parts of the state, were in attendance. The cattle were sold at low prices on account of the pleuro-pneumonia scare. Col. J. W. Judy, auctioneer, before opening the sale, stated that all the cattle sold would be kept by the first owners of the sale until satisfactory arrangements could be made for shipping them. Fifty head were sold yesterday averaging \$86 per head. The following sales were made to day:

R. F. Gaines, Marshall, Fancy 2d, \$50.
A. C. Garnett, Miami, Royal Rosemond, \$135.
Dr. Howard Ford, Slater, Allie Maitland, \$85.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Nancy Lee 2nd, \$135.
L. O. Hutchison, Marshall, Adelaide 4th, \$45.
Dorr & Son, Carrollton, Jupiter, \$60.
W. H. Brown, Fairville, Glen Mary, \$150.
G. G. Hawkins, Fairville, Prairie Duke, \$50.
A. M. Guthrie, Fairville, Prairie Duke, 3rd, \$40.
J. M. Randolph, Marshall, Lucille Duke, \$30.
J. H. Irvine, Marshall, Barbarossa Chevalier, \$50.
W. D. Durrett, Orearville, Eliza B, \$125.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Highland Lass No. 7, \$50.
A. Leonard, Mt. Leonard, Waveland Belle, \$60.
A. J. Casebolt, Miami, Chilton Duke, \$65.
Tucker Bros., Marshall, Kaylor Beauty, Duchess Ardrie, 1 year old, \$200.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Mary Queen, \$50.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Roan Morey, \$105.
H. Duff, Keytesville, Leigh Richmond, \$155.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Broad-t Barrington, \$50.
F. M. Fall, Marshall, Airdrie No. 7, \$45.
A. M. Guthrie, Fairview, Ally Boyer, \$75.
B. J. Orear, Orearville, Old Robin, \$105.
C. C. Ross, Miami Miami Red, \$195.
F. Burruss, Miami Red, bull calf, \$30.
A. M. Guthrie, Fairville, Onanless Duke, \$65.
J. A. Johnson, Orearville, Lee Airdrie, \$50.
M. Lynch, Shackelford, Gen. Lee, \$85.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, 2d Lord Marquis, \$100.
G. Young, Slater, Roan Roy, \$45.
J. Ree, Mt. Leonard, St. Elmo, \$100.
E. W. Hawkins, Fairville, Mary Duke, \$100.
A. M. Guthrie, Fairville, Dandy, \$30.
D. M. Embury, Arrow Rock, Highland Lass No. 5, \$80.
S. T. Thompson, Slater, Waveland Lass 2d, \$80.
A. B. Soper, Orearville, Garland 3d, \$100.
G. R. McDaniel, Miami, Garland 4th, \$95.
G. A. Washburn, Marshall, Woodland Chief, \$80.
C. C. Ross, Miami, Fancy Duke, 11th, \$215.
J. T. Jones, Napton, Gen. Lee 2nd, \$50.
J. H. Irvine, Marshall, Fanny Airdrie, \$70.

A. M. Guthrie, Fairville, Barbarossa No. 2, \$55.
R. Smith, Miami, Roy Queen, 3d, \$130.
J. B. Pemberton, Orearville, Sharon, Duke of H. dgewood, \$125.
Dorr & Son, Carrollton, Prince John, \$40.
J. D. Snelling, Miami, Carlo's 5th, \$120.
J. Neff, Marshall, Dr. Pat on, \$65.
W. H. Brown, Fairville, Rossa, \$65.
R. Clough, Napton, Grover Cleveland, \$30.
T. A. Umbarger, Marshall, Mails Airdrie, \$115.

An Off Year.

This is going to be an off year. No political booms for "Pumped Knights" or "Reform" will help keep up the health and strength of the vast multitudes whose faith is pinned on the glowing party promises of election year. Multitudes of such will need a reliable tonic to tune up the system, a purifier to work off the bad blood, and a sure remedy for lame backs, rheumatism, biliousness, etc. Such a remedy is Kidney Wort. It has long stood at the head of the list of kidney remedies, and it receives the highest praise from all that use it.

Thieving Tramps.

A couple of tramps broke into a store at Centerville Monday night and carried off some \$50 worth of goods. Parties were in the city yesterday endeavoring to capture them, but they failed in overhauling them, nor is it certainly known that they came to Sedalia.

LABOR NOTES.

—The air is full of rumors of another strike among the car and machine shop hands on the Missouri Pacific. They want a written agreement, similar to the one held by the engineers and firemen and the same as the Washash shop hands hold. A conference was held yesterday afternoon, to decide the question of granting their demands.

—Labor Commissioner Van Ketchiksky has gone to Berier to endeavor to adjust the differences existing in that locality between the miners and mine owners. The former have been on a strike for several weeks, and matters are liable to become more complicated before long by the company putting in cheap labor.

—The miners in the Belleville district are again out on their annual spring strike. The work at these mines is very irregular at the best, but with each coming spring, and sometimes between seasons, one may well count on a strike of a more or less serious nature. This time they are out in this district to the number of about 1,600 and are making loud demonstrations of jollity, but so far have been peaceable.

RED-BUGS, FLIES.

Flies, roaches, ants, bed bugs, rats, mice, gophers, chipmunks, cleared out by "Rough on Rats." 15c.

A Libel Suit Compromised.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 29.—The St. Joseph Gazette-Monday compromised its \$50,000 libel suit with Mr. Shonibus Bateman for \$1,000 cash. Some time ago the paper published an article reflecting severely upon the character of Miss Elizabeth Bateman, sister of Oliver Bateman, hanged in Andrew county last November for the fiendish murder of the two Laughlin girls. The article was to the effect that improper relations had existed between the brother and sister, and that they had been discovered by the murdered children in a compromising situation, which led Oliver to commit the two murders. The article wound up with the assertion that Miss Bateman was then in a delicate condition, the result of the intimacy. Much feeling was created on account of the publication, and prominent citizens of this county and Andrew pledged themselves to Mr. Bateman to furnish him money, if he needed it, to prosecute the suit for libel.

MOTHERS.

If you are feeling broken, worn out and nervous, use "Wells' Health Renewer." \$1. Druggists.

Special Meeting of Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the shareholders of the Sedalia Street Railway company will be held at the office of the company, in room No. 33, at Siche's hotel, in the city of Sedalia, Missouri, on Monday, June 22nd, 1885, at nine o'clock a. m., and to continue till twelve m., to consider and to determine by their votes whether they will approve a proposition to issue and authorize the issuing of bonds of the said company, amounting to ten thousand dollars, in twenty bonds, for five hundred dollars each, payable ten years after their date with semi-annual interest coupons at the rate of seven per cent, to be secured by a first mortgage or trust deed on the street railways and all other property, rights and franchises of the said Sedalia Street Railway company.

By order of the board of directors, April 16th, 1885.

Jos. D. Siche, president.
LOUIS DUTCH, } Board of
C. NEWKIRK, } Directors.
F. H. GUENTHER, }

Attest:
CHAS. S. CONRAD, secretary. [4-21w9t]

Blocher's Seed Store,

The place to get your seeds, No. 115, East Main street. Timothy, clover and fancy clean blue grass, the best ever brought to the city.

Landreth's celebrated garden seeds. I purchase these seeds direct from the extensive seed farms of Messrs. Landreth, and they are pre-eminently the best. Use Landreth's seeds and a good vegetable garden is assured. Come and see me, I will treat you well. M. J. BLOCHER.

Notice.

All persons indebted to the late firm of Bixby & Houx either by note or account, are hereby notified to call and settle the same at once as the business of the late firm must be closed without delay. 3-3d6twlm. JOHN W. HOUX.

Farm for Rent.

I will rent my farm of 780 acres, 460 acres, in pasture, 170 acres, in meadow and 150 acres in actual cultivation, at reasonable figures. Apply to me personally or my agent, F. L. Baird, at Windsor. P. H. SHELTON, Windsor, Mo. 3-17w2t.

ROAD ROBBERS.

A Bold Robbery Perpetrated Near Harrodsburg, Ind.

The Express Messenger and Baggage Man Wounded.

In All Probability Both Will Die.

Chicago, April 30.—The Louisville express on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago railroad due here at 8 o'clock this morning, was stopped near Harrodsburg, Indiana, shortly before midnight by a band of masked robbers. They compelled the engineer and fireman to leave the engine. Entering the express car the American express messenger was covered with revolvers and refusing to unlock the safe, was shot dead. The safe was broken open but found to contain but \$400. The scene of the robbery is among hills and stone quarries and thinly settled.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Indianapolis, April 30.—The express matter on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago, was carried in a baggage car which was occupied by the messenger and baggage men. The messenger's name was George N. Davis, of Louisville. Last night at 11:16 the train reached Harrodsburg, a little station below Bloomington. It has a population of about 400, and at that time of night, is quiet as the grave. There is a water tank at Harrodsburg and the train stopped there four or five minutes to replenish the engine. While at the station one of the passengers in the sleeping car, Mr. J. H. Hamilton, of Greencastle, happened to be looking out the window and by the reflected light of the engine and the dim illumination from the car windows, saw a man emerge apparently

FROM UNDER THE TRUCKS

and disappear in the direction of the engine. In the brief glimpse Hamilton had of the man he saw that he was above medium height, dressed in the tattered garments of a vagabond, and carried in his hand a club or stick. He naturally supposed him to be some tramp who was stealing a ride under the trucks and dismissed the matter from his mind. Meantime the engine had taken water and started. Nothing unusual was suspected until the little station, Smithville Hill, about two miles north of Harrodsburg was reached. Three sharp rings of the bell in the engine stopped the train. Before inquiry as to who pulled the bell rope could be made the baggage master flung open the door of the smoking car and peered in covered with blood that trickled from a ghastly wound in his head.

HE SUNK ON HIS KNEES

between the forward seats and gazed out to the horrified passengers who rushed to him that robbers had entered the baggage car and shot himself and the express messenger. This was all he was able to say and he fell forward unconscious upon his face. By that time Conductor Chamberlain was at his side, and with a few of the more intrepid of passengers made his way into the baggage car. A single lantern turned low and swinging from a hook in the ceiling cast a dim light over the frightful scene. Davis was stretched in a pool of blood by the side of his safe, which was broken open and plundered. Davis was lifted and carried into the smoker. He was breathing but it was vain.

HE WAS WOUNDED TO DEATH.

He had been shot in the upper part of the head, a piece of the skull as large as a silver dollar being literally torn off from this part of the head and brains fairly oozed. Webber, baggage master, gives this account of the affair: When the train stopped at Harrodsburg he and Davis were asleep on their train-chests; both doors of the car were open and they had no suspicion of anything wrong. Just after the train got in motion Webber was awakened by a violent blow on the head; the force was such as to half stun him, but staggering to his feet he saw a large, muscular man struggling with Davis; the messenger was bespattered with blood which was gushing from the wound in his head and he also had evidently been struck with a club while asleep; Webber was too badly hurt to take part in the fray and fell to the floor; the robber was a large man raggedly dressed, had a bristling light mustache. This much Webber noticed as the two men struggled.

IN EACH OTHER'S EMBRACE,

Davis managing to loo on his right arm, drew his revolver. Before he could fire the man wrenched the weapon from his grasp and leveling it like lightning, pulled the trigger. The ball struck the messenger in the head and he fell dying to the floor. When the safe had been rifled the robber left the train and slowed up in answer to the bell. Search was made as soon as could be but no trace of the criminal could be found. The wounded men were left at Bloomington.

THE LOSS.

Louisville, Ky., April 30.—The American express officials are unable to say how much money was in the safe robbed last night, but think there is not much lost. As near as can be arrived at Davis had only about \$400 in his care when he left this city last night. The agent at New Albany says he sent \$1,300 by Davis from that place. How much was picked up by him at way stations cannot be said, but it is not probable that the amount can exceed \$100. Davis was one of the most popular and efficient messengers in the company's employ. He had been wounded several times during his service. In the great accident near Salem, Ind., about two years ago, when the train went through the bridge, Davis saved his safe and all the valuables by dumping it out into the river while the train was going through. He paid for his devotion to duty to the neglect of self by having a shoulder and two ribs broken.

DAVIS AT LOUISVILLE

Davis the wounded express messenger was brought here to-night from Bloomington. He is still unconscious and cannot recover. It is estimated that the robber secured about \$2,000, \$400 of which he dropped when he jumped from the train.